

FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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Translation

Notification
to the Governments of the States Parties
to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949
for the Protection of War Victims
concerning

THE OBJECTION OF THE UNITED KINGDOM TO THE RESERVATION
ENTERED BY ANGOLA

On 28 March 1985, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has deposited with the Swiss government the following objection to the reservation entered by the People's Republic of Angola on its accession to the four Geneva Conventions on 20 September 1984 to article 85 of the Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War of 12 August 1949:

"With reference to the reservation made by the Government of the People's Republic of Angola to Article 85 of the Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War, Her Majesty's Government, recalling their previous declarations in relation to similar reservations by other States, wish to state that, whilst they do not oppose the entry into force of the Convention in question between the United Kingdom and the People's Republic of Angola, they are unable to accept the reservation because, in the view of the Government of the United Kingdom, this reservation is not of the kind which intending parties to the Convention are entitled to make."

The present notification is made by the Swiss Government in its capacity of Depositary of the two Geneva Conventions.

Berne, 18 June 1985